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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: ETRD, EAGR

SUBJECT: SUGAR: ORGANIZATION OF THE SEPTEMBER NEGOTIATIONS

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- 2. THE EFFORT IN GENEVA SHOULD ASSURE THAT THE ISA CAN BE IMPLEMENTED AND OPERATIONAL BY JANUARY 1, 1978. IF WE FAIL TO NEGOTIATE AN ISA IN SEPTEMBER, THE U.S. CAN FORESEE NO EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL ACTION ON SUGAR BEFORE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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